Lessons learned from 16 applied data science (meta) case studies



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Applied Data Science - Lessons Learned for the Data-Driven Business

Braschler, Stadelmann, Stockinger (Eds.)

Springer, 2018 (to appear)

Companion website to the upcoming book Applied Data Science - Lessons Learned for the Data-Driven Business, to appear late 2018. Update: The manuscript has been submitted to the publisher as of end of September, 2018.

Synopsis

While Data Science is somewhat a "hype topic" these days, and numerous books on the topic have been published recently, there is ittle literature that actually addresses the applied side of Data Science - which is, as we argue, where discussion of Data Science should actually start as a discipline that blends and merges a diverse set of wellestablished research fields. Data Science is all about finding the right synergy to build exciting (and efficient) data products for projects both in academia and industry.

This volume highlights Data Science as something that is real, where technology is depixed in data-intensive projects, experiences are collected and besons are learned. The book is clearly positioned as complementary to textbooks that cover the theoretical fundamentals of Data Science. While we start the book by including a "big picture" overview of the field Data Science, this overview is not intended to compate with the deep literature that exists for the fundamental research fields that underlie the discipline. Rather, by discussing the glue between these fields, we enable the reader to appreciate the discussion in the remainder of the book, which presents Data Science applications (the "meat" of the book: a number of chapters in collaboration has been co-developed with authors from academia and industry, where technology transfer in practice is described.

The book adopts the view that Data Science is a unique blend of skills from analytics, engineering & communication aiming at generating value from the data itself. It is inherently applied and interdisciplinary. The following skill set map of a data scientists gives an overview of this blend:





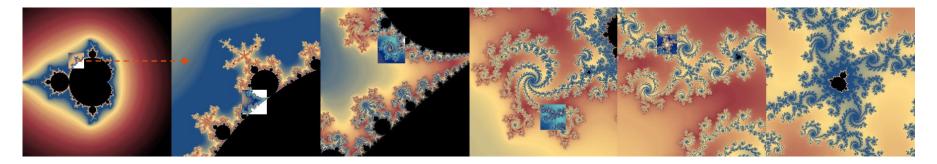


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Agenda



- The study
- Checklist: Eight commandments
- Inspiration: methodology, technology, innovation, education



The study 16 contributions, spanning much of data science



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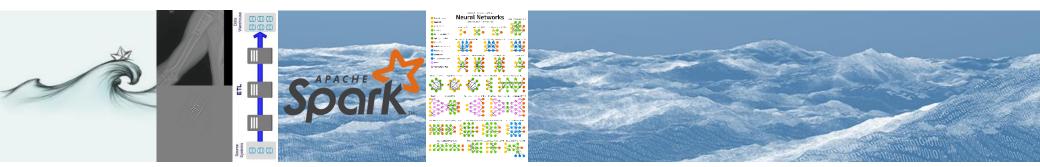
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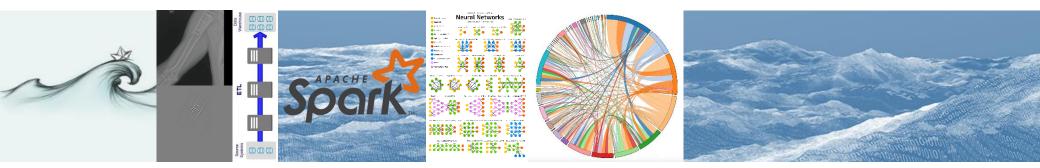
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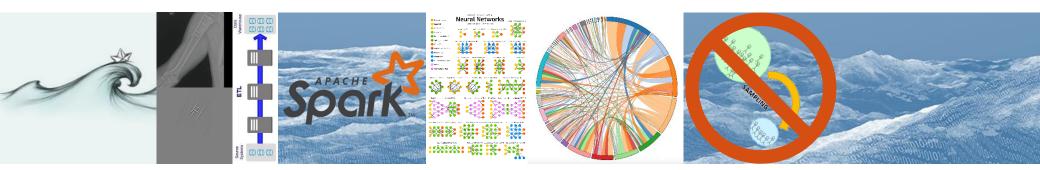


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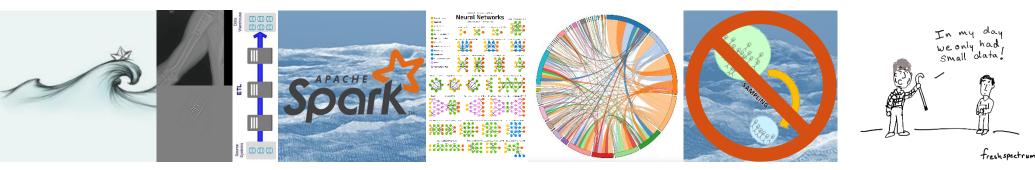
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Inspiration #1: methodology

Make intuitive model inspection & data visualization "always on"

• Building trust with stakeholders

negative X-ray

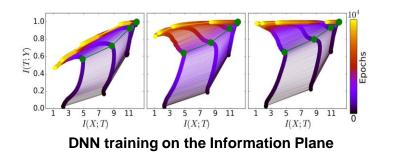


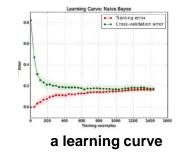


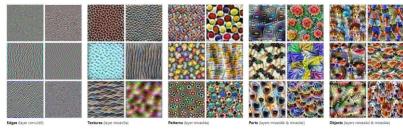
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• **Debugging** capabilities for researchers & developers







feature visualization

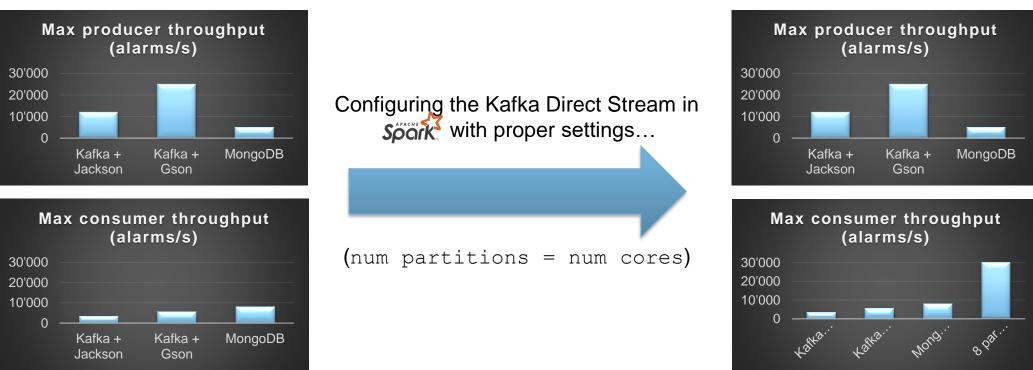
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Inspiration #2: technology

Understand influences on big data system performance

- Modern big data systems make parallel programming easy
- However, the complex distributed components need careful performance analysis & tuning to arrive at state of the art results:



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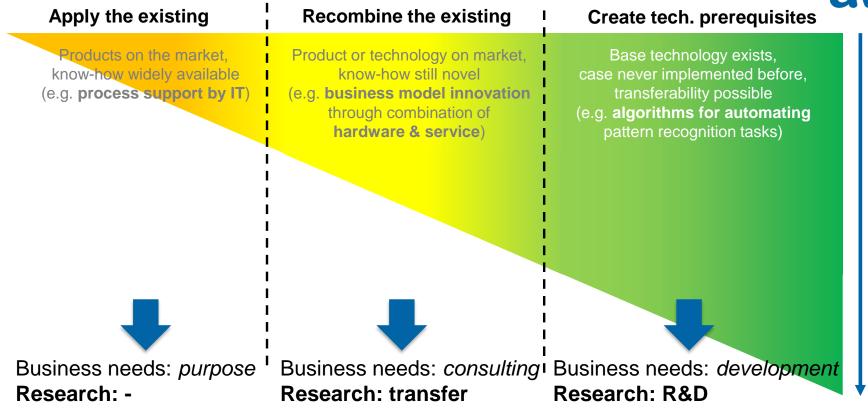


Inspiration #3: innovation

Use networks of experts to leverage different levels of innovation



Depth of innovation



Inspiration #4: education

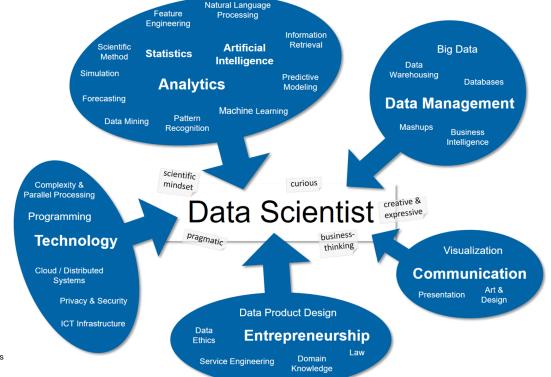
Build interdisciplinary skills & experience on top of solid foundation



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- · Disciplinary bachelor establishes foundation in a constituting field
- Data science education imparts core methods, tools, and project experience



Conclusions



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• Crucial digital innovation needs to happen at the level of society: how do we deal with the opportunities *"making sense of data"* is giving us?



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